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FM AMEMBASSY BELGRADE
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2993

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCE METHOD EXEMPTION 3828
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2008

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REF: BELGRADE 1678, PREVIOUS

WELFARE/WHEREABOUTS: DESTAN BERISHA. CONGRESSMAN CONTE INTERESTED.

1. BERISHA'S LAWYER REPORTS TRIAL SCHEDULED JANUARY 29, 0800 HOURS. EXPECTED LAST TWO DAYS DUE NUMBER WITNESSES TO BE CALLED.
2. BERISHA CHARGED UNDER ARTICLE 105 (ESPIONAGE), CRIMINAL CODE. LAWYER WILL REQUEST RECLASSIFICATION UNDER SECTION 117 (ASSOCIATIONS AGAINST STATE AND PEOPLE) WHICH INCLUDED IN 1962 AMNESTY.
3. SEVERAL RELATIVES AND ASSOCIATES CONVICTED 1952 UNDER ARTICLE

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105 HAVE IMPLICATED BERISHA. LITTLE LIKELIHOOD, THEREFORE,
MODIFICATION CHARGES.

4. ABSENCE INSTRUCTIONS FROM BERISHA, PRESUME HE WOULD WANT WIFE KEPT INFORMED.

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